

AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

October 2008



A AIRPORT OPERATIONS

Meeting Date: 10/15/08
Item: 11

- Passenger Count
- Aircraft Operations
- Air Freight

The passenger count for September, 63,576 was down 4.1% compared with September 2007. The total passenger count year-to-date, 634,343 was up 3.5% compared to the same period last year.

B PROGRAMS

1. Air Service

Santa Barbara Airport (SBA) has a 60% share of the number of daily departures for the four tri-county commercial service airports. There are 38 daily departures (1,621 seats) to ten major hub airports aboard six airlines at SBA compared to 6 daily departures from Santa Maria, 15 from San Luis Obispo and 4 from Oxnard.

Staff Contact: Terri Gibson, 692-6004

2. Communications Program

a. Horizon Air Sacramento Launch

Promotional activity this month includes print, television, and radio ads. Also, there are billboards on the UCSB campus, banners at the Airline Terminal and online media ads. An inaugural event is being planned for the second week in November.

b. Airline Terminal Project Public Information Plan

An update on the Project will be included in an Airport Department insert in the October 16 issue of the Santa Barbara Independent. Other communications will be timed to coincide with Phase I construction milestones.

c. New FlySBA.com Website Development

Design of the new website is currently underway. The project is expected to be complete by the end of the year.

d. Highways 101 & 217 Airport Signage

New CalTrans signs have been installed on the highways to direct Airport travelers. The signage includes airplane symbols and "Santa Barbara Airport" replaces "Airport."

e. Public Information - Long Term Parking Lot 2 Change

The long term lot located off Hollister Ave. on Lopez Rd. will become an automated facility in October, issuing parking tickets from an entry kiosk and accepting payment via an exit machine. Flyers will be given to parkers at the Terminal and appropriate signage will be installed. The new automatic payment options will also be posted on the Airport's website.

f. Airport Visitors Center Activity

345 students from 5 schools representing 4 school districts received tours in September. Five general aviation clubs held meetings at the Center during the month including an FAA pilot safety meeting.

g. Airline Terminal Comment Card Program

88 cards were collected from the holdrooms and main lobby in September. Comments included requests for the return of skycap service, drinking fountains in the holdrooms, restrooms in the holdrooms (many), better organization of airline check-in and more friendly professional staff at the checkpoints, snack bar, gift shop and airline counters.

h. Website Statistics

36,126 visitors logged onto FlySBA.com in September, representing 399,000 website page hits. There was an average of more than 1,200 visits per day – a 40% increase over the same month last year.

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3. Airport Noise Abatement Program

Planned completion date: Summer 2009

Five potential sites for the new Noise Monitoring Terminals have been chosen. Airport staff is working on the permitting for these sites.

Airport Staff has received initial concurrence from the County for an additional Noise Monitoring Terminal site, on Ward Drive near Rancho Goleta Mobile Home Park. The Ward Drive site is important in that it is the only potential site located in the vicinity of the 65db CNEL Airport Noise contour. The request for an installation at La Patera elementary school was declined. Staff continues to work with our Public Works Department, the County, and the City of Goleta on other potential noise monitoring sites.

Staff Contact: Chuck Logan, 692-6005

C CAPITAL PROJECTS

1. Airport Terminal Improvement project

Planned Completion Date: 2011

The initial project phases have been submitted for building permits. The first project in association with Terminal improvements, the SBA Terminal Ramp & Taxiway B Relocation Construction Project, was awarded to Granite Construction on July 22, 2008. Construction commenced with Taxiway K and Taxiway B between Taxiways A and E closed indefinitely due to construction. The Terminal ramp configuration has also changed requiring the airlines to push back aircraft. Bids opened for the second project in association with the Terminal improvements, the SBA Temporary Facilities & Site Preparation Project on September 4, 2008. The bids will be evaluated to determine the low responsive bidder.

\$60 Million (14.1M AIP Grant, 5.8M PFCs, 34.5M Bond Funds, 1.0M Airport Funds)

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Laurie Owens, 692-6023

2. ASP Wetland Mitigation Plan

Planned Completion Date: 2009

ASP Wetlands Mitigation Plan

Mitigation associated with the Airfield Safety Projects at a ratio of 4:1.

- Area I Restoration - Completed
- Remainder of Mitigation Plan –Construction of the creek restoration plantings, berm restoration and Area R-2 is complete. Phase 2 Tidal Restoration scheduled to begin in 2009.

Staff Contact: Owen Thomas, 692-6018

3. Goleta Slough Tidal Circulation Demonstration Project

Planned Completion Date: January 2009

This project was modified to restore tidal action to one Goleta Slough basin instead of two basins, due to cost. The Airport has received a Coastal Development Permit amendment from the Coastal Commission for the modified experiment. Construction began in September and was completed in October 2005. Surveys to measure bird activity, vegetation establishment and invertebrate communities are ongoing and will continue until November 2008. Staff has received approval from the California Coastal Commission to extend the reporting period until January 2009.

URS Corporation
\$348,330 (work that is continuing.)

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4. Consolidated Rental Car Quick Turn Around Facility

Planned Completion Date: Fall 2009

This Airport project is to provide a Rental Car Quick Turn Around facility (QTA). The QTA will be relocated off of the Airline Terminal premises on a 3.4 acre site located at 25 David Love Place. It will function to fuel, perform minor service (oil changes, fluid checks, tire repair, etc.) vehicle washing, and vehicle storage. The Santa Barbara City Council awarded a contract to Pat McCarthy Construction on July 1, 2008. Construction has commenced and will take approximately one year to complete.

Project Cost:
\$8,803,000
(Customer Facilities
Charge revenue)

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D COUNCIL / AIRPORT COMMISSION ACTIONS

Council / Airport Commission approved the following recommendations in September

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Approve and authorize the Airport Director, subject to approval by the City Attorney, to execute a ten-year lease agreement with National Security Technologies, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, for 8,800 square feet of Building 226 and 47,692 square feet of adjacent land at 6190 Francis Botello Road at the Santa Barbara Airport, for a total monthly rental of \$21,921; and
- B. Introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving a Ten-Year Lease Agreement Between the City of Santa Barbara and National Security Technologies, LLC, for 8,800 Square Feet of Building 226 and 47,692 Square Feet of Adjacent Land at 6190 Francis Botello Road, to Become Effective on October 15, 2008, to Conduct Research, Development, and Light Production in Electronics and Photogrammetry, at the Santa Barbara Airport.

Council find that the Airline Terminal Improvement Project meets a present need directly related to general welfare and grant the project a Final Community Priority Designation for 44,648 square feet of floor area.

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- A. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Alliance Contracting Inc., in their low bid amount of \$177,335, for construction of the Santa Barbara Airport World War II Memorial, Bid No. 4855;
 - B. Authorize the Airport Director to approve expenditures up to \$17,734 to cover cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment;
 - C. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to David Black and Associates, in the amount of \$2,800 for general construction support services related to site layout, landscaping and graphic design;
 - D. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Smith Engineering Associates, in the amount of \$2,550 for construction support services related to electrical design; and
 - E. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue a Purchase Order to Penfield and Smith for \$38,265 for construction engineering services.
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- A. Approve and authorize the Airport Director, subject to approval by the City Attorney, to execute an Agreement for Cost Sharing of the Gap Fire Flood Protection and Mitigation Project: Aerial Hydromulching between the City of Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the City of Goleta; and
 - B. Appropriate \$70,000 to be funded from Airport reserves above policy.